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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1967 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend Senate Bill 1967 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 4 is amended by changing Sections 3, 6.9, and 6.10 and adding 5 6 Section 6.10A as follows: 7 (5 ILCS 375/3) (from Ch. 127, par. 523) Definitions. Unless the context otherwise 8 Sec. 3. requires, the following words and phrases as used in this Act 9 10 shall have the following meanings. The Department may define these and other words and phrases separately for the purpose of 11 implementing specific programs providing benefits under this 12 13 Act. "Administrative service organization" 14 means 15 person, firm or corporation experienced in the handling of

claims which is fully qualified, financially sound and capable

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of meeting the service requirements of a contract of administration executed with the Department.

(b) "Annuitant" means (1) an employee who retires, or has retired, on or after January 1, 1966 on an immediate annuity under the provisions of Articles 2, 14 (including an employee elected to receive an alternative retirement cancellation payment under Section 14-108.5 of the Illinois Pension Code in lieu of an annuity), 15 (including an employee who has retired under the optional retirement program established under Section 15-158.2), paragraphs (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, or Article 18 of the Illinois Pension Code; (2) any person who was receiving group insurance coverage under this Act as of March 31, 1978 by reason of his status as an annuitant, even though the annuity in relation to which such coverage was provided is a proportional annuity based on less than the minimum period of service required for a retirement annuity in the system involved; (3) any person not otherwise covered by this Act who has retired as a participating member under Article 2 of the Illinois Pension Code but is ineligible for the retirement annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code; (4) the spouse of any person who is receiving a retirement annuity under Article 18 of the Illinois Pension Code and who is covered under a group health insurance program sponsored by a governmental employer other than the State of Illinois and who has irrevocably elected to waive his or her coverage under this Act and to have his or her spouse

considered as the "annuitant" under this Act and not as a "dependent"; or (5) an employee who retires, or has retired, from a qualified position, as determined according to rules promulgated by the Director, under a qualified government, a qualified rehabilitation facility, a qualified domestic violence shelter or service, or a qualified child advocacy center. (For definition of "retired employee", see (p) post).

(b-5) "New SERS annuitant" means a person who, on or after January 1, 1998, becomes an annuitant, as defined in subsection (b), by virtue of beginning to receive a retirement annuity under Article 14 of the Illinois Pension Code (including an employee who has elected to receive an alternative retirement cancellation payment under Section 14-108.5 of that Code in lieu of an annuity), and is eligible to participate in the basic program of group health benefits provided for annuitants under this Act.

(b-6) "New SURS annuitant" means a person who (1) on or after January 1, 1998, becomes an annuitant, as defined in subsection (b), by virtue of beginning to receive a retirement annuity under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code, (2) has not made the election authorized under Section 15-135.1 of the Illinois Pension Code, and (3) is eligible to participate in the basic program of group health benefits provided for annuitants under this Act.

(b-7) "New TRS State annuitant" means a person who, on or

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- 1 after July 1, 1998, becomes an annuitant, as defined in 2 subsection (b), by virtue of beginning to receive a retirement 3 annuity under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code based on 4 service as a teacher as defined in paragraph (2), (3), or (5) 5 of Section 16-106 of that Code, and is eligible to participate in the basic program of group health benefits provided for 6 7 annuitants under this Act.
 - (c) "Carrier" means (1) an insurance company, a corporation organized under the Limited Health Service Organization Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plan Act, a partnership, or other nongovernmental organization, which is authorized to do group life or group health insurance business in Illinois, or (2) the State of Illinois as a self-insurer.
- (d) "Compensation" means salary or wages payable on a regular payroll by the State Treasurer on a warrant of the State Comptroller out of any State, trust or federal fund, or by the Governor of the State through a disbursing officer of the State out of a trust or out of federal funds, or by any Department out of State, trust, federal or other funds held by the State Treasurer or the Department, to any person for personal services currently performed, and ordinary accidental disability benefits under Articles 2, 14, (including ordinary or accidental disability benefits under the optional retirement program established under Section 15-158.2), paragraphs (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, or 26 Article 18 of the Illinois Pension Code, for disability

- incurred after January 1, 1966, or benefits payable under the Workers' Compensation or Occupational Diseases Act or benefits payable under a sick pay plan established in accordance with Section 36 of the State Finance Act. "Compensation" also means salary or wages paid to an employee of any qualified local government, qualified rehabilitation facility, qualified domestic violence shelter or service, or qualified child advocacy center.
 - (e) "Commission" means the State Employees Group Insurance Advisory Commission authorized by this Act. Commencing July 1, 1984, "Commission" as used in this Act means the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability as established by the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984.
 - (f) "Contributory", when referred to as contributory coverage, shall mean optional coverages or benefits elected by the member toward the cost of which such member makes contribution, or which are funded in whole or in part through the acceptance of a reduction in earnings or the foregoing of an increase in earnings by an employee, as distinguished from noncontributory coverage or benefits which are paid entirely by the State of Illinois without reduction of the member's salary.
 - (g) "Department" means any department, institution, board, commission, officer, court or any agency of the State government receiving appropriations and having power to certify payrolls to the Comptroller authorizing payments of salary and wages against such appropriations as are made by the

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General Assembly from any State fund, or against trust funds
held by the State Treasurer and includes boards of trustees of
the retirement systems created by Articles 2, 14, 15, 16 and 18
of the Illinois Pension Code. "Department" also includes the
Illinois Comprehensive Health Insurance Board, the Board of
Examiners established under the Illinois Public Accounting
Act, and the Illinois Finance Authority.

(h) "Dependent", when the term is used in the context of the health and life plan, means a member's spouse and any child (1) from birth to age 26 including an adopted child, a child who lives with the member from the time of the filing of a petition for adoption until entry of an order of adoption, a stepchild or adjudicated child, or a child who lives with the member if such member is a court appointed guardian of the child or (2) age 19 or over who is mentally or physically disabled from a cause originating prior to the age of 19 (age 26 if enrolled as an adult child dependent). For the health plan only, the term "dependent" also includes (1) any person enrolled prior to the effective date of this Section who is dependent upon the member to the extent that the member may claim such person as a dependent for income tax deduction purposes and (2) any person who has received after June 30, 2000 an organ transplant and who is financially dependent upon the member and eliqible to be claimed as a dependent for income tax purposes. A member requesting to cover any dependent must provide documentation as requested by the Department of Central

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- 1 Management Services and file with the Department any and all
- forms required by the Department.
- 3 (i) "Director" means the Director of the Illinois 4 Department of Central Management Services or of any successor
- 5 agency designated to administer this Act.
- (j) "Eligibility period" means the period of time a member
 has to elect enrollment in programs or to select benefits
 without regard to age, sex or health.
 - (k) "Employee" means and includes each officer or employee the service of a department who (1) receives his compensation for service rendered to the department on a warrant issued pursuant to a payroll certified by a department or on a warrant or check issued and drawn by a department upon a trust, federal or other fund or on a warrant issued pursuant to a payroll certified by an elected or duly appointed officer of the State or who receives payment of the performance of personal services on a warrant issued pursuant to a payroll certified by a Department and drawn by the Comptroller upon the State Treasurer against appropriations made by the General Assembly from any fund or against trust funds held by the State Treasurer, and (2) is employed full-time or part-time in a position normally requiring actual performance of duty during not less than 1/2 of a normal work period, as established by the Director in cooperation with each department, except that persons elected by popular vote will be considered employees during the entire term for which they are elected regardless of

1 hours devoted to the service of the State, and (3) except that 2 "employee" does not include any person who is not eligible by 3 reason of such person's employment to participate in one of the 4 State retirement systems under Articles 2, 14, 15 (either the 5 regular Article 15 system or the optional retirement program 6 established under Section 15-158.2) or 18, or under paragraph (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, of the Illinois Pension 7 Code, but such term does include persons who are employed 8 9 during the 6 month qualifying period under Article 14 of the 10 Illinois Pension Code. Such term also includes any person who 11 (1) after January 1, 1966, is receiving ordinary or accidental disability benefits under Articles 2, 14, 15 12 (including 13 ordinary or accidental disability benefits under the optional 14 retirement program established under Section 15-158.2), 15 paragraphs (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, or Article 18 of 16 the Illinois Pension Code, for disability incurred after January 1, 1966, (2) receives total permanent or total 17 temporary disability under the Workers' Compensation Act or 18 19 Occupational Disease Act as a result of injuries sustained or 20 illness contracted in the course of employment with the State 21 of Illinois, or (3) is not otherwise covered under this Act and 22 has retired as a participating member under Article 2 of the Illinois Pension Code but is ineligible for the retirement 23 24 annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code. 25 However, a person who satisfies the criteria of the foregoing definition of "employee" except that such person is made 26

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- ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code is also an "employee" for the purposes of this Act. "Employee" also includes any person receiving or eligible for benefits under a sick pay plan established in accordance with Section 36 of the State Finance Act. "Employee" also includes (i) each officer or employee in the service of a qualified local government, including persons appointed as trustees of sanitary districts regardless of hours devoted to the service of the sanitary district, (ii) each employee in the service of a qualified rehabilitation facility, (iii) each full-time employee in the service, and (iv) each full-time employee in the service of a qualified child advocacy center, as determined according to rules promulgated by the Director.
- 16 (1) "Member" means an employee, annuitant, retired 17 employee or survivor.
 - (m) "Optional coverages or benefits" means those coverages or benefits available to the member on his or her voluntary election, and at his or her own expense.
- 21 (n) "Program" means the group life insurance, health 22 benefits and other employee benefits designed and contracted 23 for by the Director under this Act.
- 24 (o) "Health plan" means a health benefits program offered 25 by the State of Illinois for persons eligible for the plan.
- 26 (p) "Retired employee" means any person who would be an

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annuitant as that term is defined herein but for the fact that such person retired prior to January 1, 1966. Such term also includes any person formerly employed by the University of Illinois in the Cooperative Extension Service who would be an annuitant but for the fact that such person was made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code.

- (q) "Survivor" means a person receiving an annuity as a survivor of an employee or of an annuitant. "Survivor" also includes: (1) the surviving dependent of a person who satisfies the definition of "employee" except that such person is made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code; (2) the surviving dependent of any person formerly employed by the University of Illinois in the Cooperative Extension Service who would be an annuitant except for the fact that such person was made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (3) the surviving dependent of a person who was an annuitant under this Act by virtue of receiving an alternative retirement cancellation payment under Section 14-108.5 of the Illinois Pension Code.
- 25 (q-2) "SERS" means the State Employees' Retirement System 26 of Illinois, created under Article 14 of the Illinois Pension

- 1 Code.
- (q-3) "SURS" means the State Universities Retirement 2
- System, created under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code. 3
- 4 (q-4) "TRS" means the Teachers' Retirement System of the
- 5 State of Illinois, created under Article 16 of the Illinois
- 6 Pension Code.
- (q-5) "New SERS survivor" means a survivor, as defined in 7
- 8 subsection (q), whose annuity is paid under Article 14 of the
- 9 Illinois Pension Code and is based on the death of (i) an
- 10 employee whose death occurs on or after January 1, 1998, or
- 11 (ii) a new SERS annuitant as defined in subsection (b-5). "New
- SERS survivor" includes the surviving dependent of a person who 12
- 13 was an annuitant under this Act by virtue of receiving an
- alternative retirement cancellation payment under Section 14
- 15 14-108.5 of the Illinois Pension Code.
- 16 (q-6) "New SURS survivor" means a survivor, as defined in
- subsection (q), whose annuity is paid under Article 15 of the 17
- 18 Illinois Pension Code and is based on the death of (i) an
- 19 employee whose death occurs on or after January 1, 1998, or
- 20 (ii) a new SURS annuitant as defined in subsection (b-6).
- (q-7) "New TRS State survivor" means a survivor, as defined 21
- 22 in subsection (q), whose annuity is paid under Article 16 of
- 23 the Illinois Pension Code and is based on the death of (i) an
- 24 employee who is a teacher as defined in paragraph (2), (3), or
- 25 (5) of Section 16-106 of that Code and whose death occurs on or
- after July 1, 1998, or (ii) a new TRS State annuitant as 26

- 1 defined in subsection (b-7).
- 2 (r) "Medical services" means the services provided within 3 the scope of their licenses by practitioners in all categories
- 4 licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987.
- 5 "Unit of local government" means any county, 6 municipality, township, school district (including combination of school districts under the Intergovernmental 7 Cooperation Act), special district or other unit, designated as 8 9 a unit of local government by law, which exercises limited 10 governmental powers or powers in respect to limited 11 governmental subjects, any not-for-profit association with a membership that primarily includes townships and township 12 13 officials, that has duties that include provision of research service, dissemination of information, and other acts for the 14 15 purpose of improving township government, and that is funded 16 wholly or partly in accordance with Section 85-15 of the Township Code; any not-for-profit corporation or association, 17 with a membership consisting primarily of municipalities, that 18 operates its own utility system, and provides research, 19 20 training, dissemination of information, or other acts to 21 promote cooperation between and among municipalities that 22 provide utility services and for the advancement of the goals 23 and purposes of its membership; the Southern Illinois 24 Collegiate Common Market, which is a consortium of higher 25 education institutions in Southern Illinois; the Illinois 26 Association of Park Districts; and any hospital provider that

- 1 is owned by a county that has 100 or fewer hospital beds and
- not already joined the program. 2 "Qualified local
- 3 government" means a unit of local government approved by the
- 4 Director and participating in a program created
- 5 subsection (i) of Section 10 of this Act.
- "Qualified rehabilitation facility" means 6 any
- not-for-profit organization that is accredited 7 bv the
- Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities or 8
- 9 certified by the Department of Human Services (as successor to
- 10 Department of Mental Health and Developmental the
- 11 Disabilities) to provide services to persons with disabilities
- and which receives funds from the State of Illinois for 12
- 13 providing those services, approved by the Director
- participating in a program created under subsection (j) of 14
- 15 Section 10 of this Act.

- 16 (u) "Oualified domestic violence shelter or service" means
- any Illinois domestic violence shelter or service and its 17
- administrative offices funded by the Department of Human 18
- 19 Services (as successor to the Illinois Department of Public
- 20 Aid), approved by the Director and participating in a program
- created under subsection (k) of Section 10. 21
 - (v) "TRS benefit recipient" means a person who:
- (1) is not a "member" as defined in this Section; and 23
- 24 is receiving a monthly benefit or retirement
- 25 annuity under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code; and
- 26 (3) either (i) has at least 8 years of creditable

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service under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code, or (ii) was enrolled in the health insurance program offered under that Article on January 1, 1996, or (iii) is the survivor of a benefit recipient who had at least 8 years of creditable service under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code or was enrolled in the health insurance program offered under that Article on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995, or (iv) is a recipient or survivor of a recipient of a disability benefit under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code.

- (w) "TRS dependent beneficiary" means a person who:
- (1) is not a "member" or "dependent" as defined in this Section; and
- (2) is a TRS benefit recipient's: (A) spouse, dependent parent who is receiving at least half of his or her support from the TRS benefit recipient, or (C) natural, step, adjudicated, or adopted child who is (i) under age 26, (ii) was, on January 1, 1996, participating as a dependent beneficiary in the health insurance program offered under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code, or (iii) age 19 or over who is mentally or physically disabled from a cause originating prior to the age of 19 (age 26 if enrolled as an adult child).
- "Military leave" refers to individuals in basic training for reserves, special/advanced training, training, emergency call up, activation by the President of the

- 1 United States, or any other training or duty in service to the
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- (z) "Community college benefit recipient" means a person 4 5 who:
 - (1) is not a "member" as defined in this Section; and
 - (2) is receiving a monthly survivor's annuity or retirement annuity under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code; and
 - (3) either (i) was a full-time employee of a community college district or an association of community college boards created under the Public Community College Act (other than, until July 1, 2012, an employee whose last employer under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code was a community college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act) and was eligible to participate in a group health benefit plan as an employee during the time of employment with a community college district (other than, until July 1, 2012, a community college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act) or an association of community college boards, or (ii) is the survivor of a person described in item (i).

"Community college benefit recipient" does not include:

(1) an individual who was a full-time employee of a community college district subject to Article VII of the

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Public Community College Act and who, prior to the
effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General
Assembly, (i) opted not to participate in the health
benefits program provided by the community college
district subject to Article VII of the Public Community
College Act and (ii) is ineligible for benefits under the
federal Medicare health insurance program (Title XVIII of
the Social Security Act as added by P.L. 89-97, 89th
Congress); or

- (2) an individual receiving a monthly survivor's annuity under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code if the individual upon whom the annuity is based was (i) last employed by a community college subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act and (ii) was not enrolled in the program established under Section 6.9 of this Act.
- (aa) "Community college dependent beneficiary" means a person who:
 - (1) is not a "member" or "dependent" as defined in this Section; and
 - (2) is a community college benefit recipient's: (A) spouse, (B) dependent parent who is receiving at least half of his or her support from the community college benefit recipient, or (C) natural, step, adjudicated, or adopted child who is (i) under age 26, or (ii) age 19 or over and mentally or physically disabled from a cause originating prior to the age of 19 (age 26 if enrolled as an adult

- 1 child).
- (bb) "Qualified child advocacy center" means any Illinois 2
- child advocacy center and its administrative offices funded by 3
- 4 the Department of Children and Family Services, as defined by
- 5 the Children's Advocacy Center Act (55 ILCS 80/), approved by
- 6 the Director and participating in a program created under
- subsection (n) of Section 10. 7
- (cc) "Community College Fiscal Board" means the board of 8
- 9 trustees created under Section 6.10A of this Act.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 95-632, eff. 9-25-07;
- 96-756, eff. 1-1-10; 96-1519, eff. 2-4-11.) 11
- 12 (5 ILCS 375/6.9)
- Sec. 6.9. Health benefits for community college benefit 13
- 14 recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries.
- 15 (a) Purpose. It is the purpose of this amendatory Act of
- 1997 and this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly to 16
- establish a uniform program of health benefits for community 17
- college benefit recipients and their dependent beneficiaries 18
- 19 under the administration of the Department of Central
- 20 Management Services.
- (b) Creation of program. Beginning July 1, 1999, the 21
- 22 Department of Central Management Services shall be responsible
- 23 for administering a program of health benefits for community
- 24 college benefit recipients and community college dependent
- beneficiaries under this Section. The State Universities 25

- 1 Retirement System and the boards of trustees of the various
- 2 community college districts shall cooperate with the
- 3 Department in this endeavor. Beginning July 1, 2012, this
- 4 program shall include health benefits for community college
- 5 benefit recipients and community college dependent
- beneficiaries subject to Article VII of the Public Community 6
- 7 College Act.
- (c) Eligibility. All community college benefit recipients 8
- and community college dependent beneficiaries 9 shall
- 10 eligible to participate in the program established under this
- 11 Section, without any interruption or delay in coverage or
- limitation as to pre-existing medical conditions. Eligibility 12
- 13 to participate shall be determined by the State Universities
- 14 Retirement System. Eligibility information shall
- 15 communicated to the Department of Central Management Services
- 16 in a format acceptable to the Department.
- (d) Coverage. The health benefit coverage provided under 17
- 18 this Section shall be a program of health, dental, and vision
- benefits. 19
- 20 The program of health benefits under this Section may
- include any or all of the benefit limitations, including but 21
- 22 not limited to a reduction in benefits based on eligibility for
- federal medicare benefits, that are provided under subsection 23
- 24 (a) of Section 6 of this Act for other health benefit programs
- 25 under this Act.
- 26 (e) Insurance rates and premiums. The Director at the

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- 1 direction of the Community College Fiscal Board shall determine
- the insurance rates and premiums for community college benefit 2
- recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries. 3
- 4 Rates and premiums may be based in part on age and eligibility
- 5 for federal Medicare coverage. These The Director shall also
- determine premiums shall that will allow for the establishment 6
- 7 of an actuarially sound reserve for this program.
- Subject to the provisions of Section 6.10A, the The cost of 8 9 health benefits under the program shall be paid as follows:
 - (1) For a community college benefit recipient, up to 75% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund.
 - (2) The balance of the rate of insurance, including the entire premium for any coverage for community college dependent beneficiaries that has been elected, shall be paid by deductions authorized by the community college benefit recipient to be withheld from his or her monthly annuity or benefit payment from the State Universities Retirement System; except that (i) if the balance of the cost of coverage exceeds the amount of the monthly annuity or benefit payment, the difference shall be paid directly the State Universities Retirement System by the community college benefit recipient, and (ii) all or part of the balance of the cost of coverage may, at the option of the board of trustees of the community college district, be paid to the State Universities Retirement System by the

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board of the community college district from which the community college benefit recipient retired. The State Universities Retirement System shall promptly deposit all moneys withheld by or paid to it under this subdivision into the Community College Health (e)(2)Insurance Security Fund. These moneys shall not be considered assets of the State Universities Retirement System.

Financing. All revenues arising from the administration of the health benefit program established under this Section shall be deposited into the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund, which is hereby created as a nonappropriated trust fund to be held outside the State Treasury, with the State Treasurer as custodian. The Community College Health Insurance Security Fund is not subject to administrative charges or charge backs, including, but not limited to, those authorized under Section 8h of the State Finance Act. Any interest earned on moneys in the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund shall be deposited into the Fund.

Moneys in the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund shall be used only to pay the costs of the health benefit program established under this Section, including associated administrative costs and the establishment of a program reserve. Beginning January 1, 1999, the Department of Central Management Services may make expenditures from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund for those costs.

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- (q) Contract for benefits. The Director shall by contract, self-insurance, or otherwise make available the program of health benefits for community college benefit recipients and their community college dependent beneficiaries that provided for in this Section. The contract or other arrangement for the provision of these health benefits shall be on terms deemed by the Director to be in the best interest of the State of Illinois and the community college benefit recipients based on, but not limited to, such criteria as administrative cost, service capabilities of the carrier or other contractor, and the costs of the benefits. If made after the effective of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, these contracts or other arrangements for the provision of health benefits shall also provide that health benefits are not to be paid from moneys in the Fund if the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability determines that plan changes that it has approved under Section 6.10A have not been implemented.
- (h) Continuation of program. It is the intention of the General Assembly that the program of health benefits provided under this Section be maintained on an ongoing, affordable basis. The program of health benefits provided under this Section may be amended by the State and is not intended to be a pension or retirement benefit subject to protection under Article XIII, Section 5 of the Illinois Constitution.
- (i) Other health benefit plans. A health benefit plan provided by a community college district (other than, until

- 1 July 1, 2012, a community college district subject to Article 2 VII of the Public Community College Act) under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement in effect on or prior to the 3 4 effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 shall continue in 5 force according to the terms of that agreement, unless 6 otherwise mutually agreed by the parties to that agreement and the affected retiree. A community college benefit recipient or 7 8 community college dependent beneficiary whose coverage under such a plan expires shall be eligible to begin participating in 9 10 the program established under this Section without any 11 interruption or delay in coverage or limitation as to
- 13 (j) This Act does not prohibit any community college district from offering additional health benefits for its 14 15 retirees or their dependents or survivors.
- (Source: P.A. 90-497, eff. 8-18-97; 90-655, eff. 7-30-98.) 16

pre-existing medical conditions.

17 (5 ILCS 375/6.10)

- 18 Sec. 6.10. Contributions to the Community College Health 19 Insurance Security Fund.
- (a) Beginning January 1, 1999, every active contributor of 20 21 the State Universities Retirement System (established under 22 Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code) who (1) is a full-time 23 employee of a community college district (other than, until 24 January 1, 2012, a community college district subject to 25 Article VII of the Public Community College Act) or an

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association of community college boards and (2) is not an employee as defined in Section 3 of this Act shall make contributions toward the cost of community college annuitant and survivor health benefits at the rate of 0.50% of salary. Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly and until revised under Section 6.10A of this Act, these contributions shall be at the rate of 0.97% of salary. If revised under Section 6.10A, these contributions shall be at the rate set by the Community College Fiscal Board and approved by the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability as specified in Section 6.10A of this Act.

These contributions shall be deducted by the employer and paid to the State Universities Retirement System as service agent for the Department of Central Management Services. The System may use the same processes for collecting contributions required by this subsection that it uses to collect the contributions received from those employees under Section 15-157 of the Illinois Pension Code. An employer may agree to pick up or pay the contributions required under this subsection on behalf of the employee; such contributions shall be deemed to have been paid by the employee.

The State Universities Retirement System shall promptly deposit all moneys collected under this subsection (a) into the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund created in Section 6.9 of this Act. The moneys collected under this Section shall be used only for the purposes authorized in

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- Section 6.9 of this Act and shall not be considered to be 1
- 2 Universities assets ofthe State Retirement System.
- Contributions made under this Section are not transferable to 3
- 4 other pension funds or retirement systems and are not

(b) Beginning January 1, 1999, every community college

- 5 refundable upon termination of service.
- district (other than, until January 1, 2012, a community 7 8 college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community 9 College Act) or association of community college boards that is 10 an employer under the State Universities Retirement System 11 shall contribute toward the cost of the community college health benefits provided under Section 6.9 of this Act an 12 13 amount equal to 0.50% of the salary paid to its full-time 14 employees who participate in the State Universities Retirement 15 System and are not members as defined in Section 3 of this Act. 16 Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly and until revised under Section 6.10A of 17 this Act, these contributions shall be at the rate of 0.97% of 18 19 salary. If revised under Section 6.10A, these contributions

These contributions shall be paid by the employer to the State Universities Retirement System as service agent for the Department of Central Management Services. The System may use the same processes for collecting the contributions required by

shall be at the rate set by the Community College Fiscal Board

and approved by the Commission on Government Forecasting and

Accountability as specified in Section 6.10A of this Act.

1 this subsection that it uses to collect the contributions 2

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The State Universities Retirement System shall promptly deposit all moneys collected under this subsection (b) into the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund created in Section 6.9 of this Act. The moneys collected under this Section shall be used only for the purposes authorized in Section 6.9 of this Act and shall not be considered to be of the State Universities Retirement assets Contributions made under this Section are not transferable to other pension funds or retirement systems and are not refundable upon termination of service.

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services, or any successor agency designated to procure healthcare contracts pursuant to this Act, is authorized to establish funds, separate accounts provided by any bank or banks as defined by the Illinois Banking Act, or separate accounts provided by any savings and loan association or associations as defined by the Illinois Savings and Loan Act of 1985 to be held by the Director, outside the State treasury, for the purpose of receiving the transfer of moneys from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund. The Department may promulgate rules further defining the methodology for the transfers. Any interest earned by moneys in the funds or accounts shall inure to the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund. The

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transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall be used exclusively for transfers t.o administrative organizations or their financial institutions for payments of claims to claimants and providers under the self-insurance health plan. The transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall not be used for any other purpose including, but not limited to, reimbursement of administration fees due the administrative service organization pursuant to its contract or contracts with the Department.

(b-5) On or before March 30, 2012, a community college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act shall contribute an amount equal to \$7,800,000 toward the cost of the community college health benefits provided under Section 6.9 of this Act. The contribution shall be in addition to any percentage of salary contribution paid pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 6.10 of this Act.

(b-10) On or before September 1, 2012, a community college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act shall contribute an amount equal to 3 times the product resulting from multiplying (i) the difference between the fiscal year 2013 per annuitant cost of the community college health benefits provided under Section 6.9 of this Act and the fiscal year 2013 per annuitant premium paid by the annuitant by (ii) the number of annuitants enrolled in the community college health benefits program under Section 6.9 of this Act who became annuitants on or before the effective date of this

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- 1 amendatory date of the 97th General Assembly and who, prior to that date, opted not to participate in the health benefits 2 program provided by the community college district subject to 3 4 Article VII of the Public Community College Act. 5 calculation of the contribution created under this subsection (b-10) shall be subject to review and approval by the 6 Commission on Governmental Forecasting and Accountability. 7
 - (c) On or before November 15 of each year, the Board of Trustees of the State Universities Retirement System shall certify to the Governor, the Director of Central Management Services, and the State Comptroller its estimate of the total amount of contributions to be paid under subsection (a) of this Section for the next fiscal year. Beginning in fiscal year 2008, the amount certified shall be decreased or increased each by the amount that the actual active contributions either fell short of or exceeded the estimate used by the Board in making the certification for the previous fiscal year. The State Universities Retirement System shall calculate the amount of actual active employee contributions in fiscal years 1999 through 2005. Based upon this calculation, the fiscal year 2008 certification shall include an amount equal to the cumulative amount that the actual active employee contributions either fell short of or exceeded the estimate used by the Board in making the certification for those fiscal years. The certification shall include a detailed explanation of the methods and information that the Board relied upon in

- 1 preparing its estimate. As soon as possible after the effective
- 2 date of this Section, the Board shall submit its estimate for
- fiscal year 1999. 3
- (d) Beginning in fiscal year 1999 and through June 30, 4
- 5 2011, on the first day of each month, or as soon thereafter as
- 6 may be practical, the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller
- shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Community 7
- 8 College Health Insurance Security Fund 1/12 of the annual
- 9 amount appropriated for that fiscal year to the State
- 10 Comptroller for deposit into the Community College Health
- 11 Insurance Security Fund under Section 1.4 of the State Pension
- Funds Continuing Appropriation Act. 12
- 13 (d-1) In fiscal year 2012, the State Treasurer and the
- 14 State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund
- 15 to the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund an
- 16 amount equal to the annual amount that was transferred from the
- General Revenue Fund to the Community College Health Insurance 17
- Security Fund under subsection (d) of this Section in fiscal 18
- 19 year 2011.
- 20 (d-2) In fiscal year 2013, the State Treasurer and the
- State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund 21
- 22 to the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund: (i)
- \$600,000 and (ii) an amount equal to two-thirds of the annual 23
- 24 amount transferred from the General Revenue Fund to the
- 25 Community College Health Insurance Security Fund under
- 26 subsection (d-1) of this Section.

1	(d-3) In fiscal year 2014, the State Treasurer and the
2	State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund
3	to the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund: (i)
4	\$600,000 and (ii) an amount equal to one-third of the annual
5	amount transferred from the General Revenue Fund to the
6	Community College Health Insurance Security Fund under
7	subsection (d-1) of this Section.
8	(e) Except where otherwise specified in this Section, the
9	definitions that apply to Article 15 of the Illinois Pension
10	Code apply to this Section.
11	(Source: P.A. 94-839, eff. 6-6-06; 95-632, eff. 9-25-07.)
12	(5 ILCS 375/6.10A new)
13	Sec. 6.10A. Community College Fiscal Board.
14	(a) The Community College Fiscal Board is hereby created
15	and shall consist of the following 8 members appointed as
16	<pre>follows:</pre>
17	(1) 3 trustees shall be appointed by the organization
18	that represents the largest number of community college
19	trustees;
20	(2) one trustee shall be appointed by the organization
21	that represents the largest number of community college
22	<pre>employees;</pre>
23	(3) one trustee shall be appointed by the organization
24	that represents the second largest number of community
25	<pre>college employees;</pre>

1	(4) one trustee shall be appointed by an organization
2	that represents community college benefit recipients;
3	(5) one trustee who is a professional fiduciary with
4	experience in the area of collectively bargained retiree
5	health plans shall be appointed by the Illinois Community
6	College Board; and
7	(6) one trustee shall be appointed by a community
8	college district subject to Article VII of the Public
9	Community College Act.
10	Trustees shall serve until a successor has been appointed
11	and qualified or until resignation, death, incapacity, or
12	disqualification.
13	Any person appointed as a trustee of the Community College
14	Fiscal Board shall qualify by taking an oath of office that he
15	or she will diligently and honestly administer the affairs of
16	the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund and will
17	not knowingly violate or willfully permit the violation of any
18	of the provisions of law applicable to the Fund. Each trustee
19	shall cast individual votes, and a majority vote shall be final
20	and binding upon all interested parties.
21	(b) The Community College Fiscal Board shall make an annual
22	assessment of the funding levels of the Community College
23	Health Insurance Security Fund and shall submit a report to the
24	Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability at
25	least 90 days before the end of fiscal year 2011, or as soon
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2	prov	vide t	the i	follow	ing:					

- 3 (1) the actuarial present value of projected benefits 4 expected to be paid to current and future community college 5 benefit recipients and community college dependent 6 beneficiaries;
 - (2) the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income; and
 - (3) an assessment of whether the actuarial present value of projected benefits expected to be paid to those benefit recipients and their dependents exceeds or is less than the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income.

If the actuarial present value of projected benefits expected to be paid to these current and future community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries exceeds the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income, then the report shall provide a plan that will (i) be implemented over a period of not more than 5 years from each valuation date and (ii) make the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income equal to or exceed the actuarial present value of projected benefits expected to be paid to current and future community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries. The plan may consist of increases in contribution levels, decreases in benefit levels, or other plan

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changes or any combination thereof. If the actuarial present value of projected benefits expected to be paid to current and future community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries is less than the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income, then the report may provide a plan of decreases, to the extent of the surplus, in contribution levels, increases in benefit levels, other plan changes, or any combination thereof.

The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall review the report and plan provided in subsection (b) and issue a determination within 90 days after receiving the report and plan, with a copy of the determination provided to the General Assembly and to the Community College Fiscal Board, as follows:

(1) In the event of a projected shortfall, if the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability determines that the assumptions stated in the report are not unreasonable in the aggregate and that the plan of increases in contribution levels, decreases in benefit levels, other plan changes, or any combination thereof to be implemented over a period of not more than 5 years from each valuation date is reasonably projected to make the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income plus assets equal to or in excess of the actuarial present value of projected benefits expected to be paid to current and future community college benefit

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recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries, then the Community College Fiscal Board shall implement the plan. If the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability determines that the assumptions stated in the report are unreasonable in the aggregate, or that the plan of increases in contribution levels, decreases in benefit levels, or other plan changes to be implemented over a period of not more than 5 years from each valuation date are not reasonably projected to make the actuarial present value of projected contributions and other income plus assets equal to or in excess of the actuarial present value of projected benefits expected to be paid to current and future community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries, then the Community College Fiscal Board shall not implement the plan, the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall explain the basis for that determination to the Community College Fiscal Board, and the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability may make recommendations as to an alternative report and plan.

(2) In the event of a projected surplus, if the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability determines that the assumptions stated in the report are not unreasonable in the aggregate and that the plan of decreases in contribution levels, increases in benefit

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(3) The Community College Fiscal Board shall submit an alternative report and plan within 45 days after receiving a rejection determination by the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability. A determination by the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability on any alternative report and plan submitted by the Community College Fiscal Board shall be made within 90 days after receiving the alternative report and plan and shall be accepted or rejected according to the requirements of this subsection. The Community College Fiscal Board shall continue to submit alternative reports and plans to the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability,

- 1 as necessary, until a favorable determination is made by
- 2 the Commission on Government Forecasting and
- Accountability. 3
- 4 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
- 5 Section 8.35 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 805/8.35 new)
- 7 Sec. 8.35. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
- 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
- 9 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
- the 97th General Assembly. 10
- 11 Section 93. The Public Community College Act is amended by
- 12 changing Sections 2-16.02, 3-27.1, and 6-4 as follows:
- (110 ILCS 805/2-16.02) (from Ch. 122, par. 102-16.02) 13
- Sec. 2-16.02. Grants. Any community college district that 14
- maintains a community college recognized by the State Board 15
- 16 shall receive, when eligible, grants enumerated in this
- Section. Funded semester credit hours or other measures or both 17
- 18 as specified by the State Board shall be used to distribute
- 19 grants to community colleges. Funded semester credit hours
- 20 shall be defined, for purposes of this Section, as the greater
- 21 of (1) the number of semester credit hours, or equivalent, in
- 22 all funded instructional categories of students who have been

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certified as being in attendance at midterm during the respective terms of the base fiscal year or (2) the average of credit hours, or equivalent, semester in all instructional categories of students who have been certified as being in attendance at midterm during the respective terms of the base fiscal year and the 2 prior fiscal years. For purposes of this Section, "base fiscal year" means the fiscal year 2 years prior to the fiscal year for which the grants are appropriated. Such students shall have been residents of Illinois and shall have been enrolled in courses that are part of instructional program categories approved by the State Board and that are applicable toward an associate degree certificate. Courses that are eligible for reimbursement are those courses for which the district pays 50% or more of the program costs from unrestricted revenue sources, with the exception of courses offered by contract with the Department of Corrections in correctional institutions. For the purposes of this Section, "unrestricted revenue sources" means those revenues in which the provider of the revenue imposes no financial limitations upon the district as it relates to the expenditure of the funds. Base operating grants shall be paid based on rates per funded semester credit hour or equivalent calculated by the State Board for funded instructional categories using cost of instruction, enrollment, inflation, and other relevant factors. A portion of the base operating grant shall be allocated on the basis of non-residential gross

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Equalization grants shall be calculated by the State Board by determining a local revenue factor for each district by: (A) adding (1) each district's Corporate Personal Replacement Fund allocations from the base fiscal year or the average of the base fiscal year and prior year, whichever is less, divided by the applicable statewide average tax rate to (2) the district's most recently audited year's equalized assessed valuation or the average of the most recently audited year and prior year, whichever is less, (B) then dividing by the district's audited full-time equivalent resident students for the base fiscal year or the average for the base fiscal year and the 2 prior fiscal years, whichever is greater, and (C) then multiplying by the applicable statewide average tax rate. The State Board shall calculate a statewide weighted average threshold by applying the same methodology to the totals of all districts' Corporate Personal Property Tax Replacement Fund allocations, equalized assessed valuations, and audited full-time equivalent district resident students and multiplying by the applicable statewide average tax rate. difference between the statewide weighted threshold and the local revenue factor, multiplied by the number of full-time equivalent resident students, shall determine the amount of equalization funding that each district is eligible to receive. A percentage factor, as determined by the State Board, may be applied to the statewide threshold as a

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for allocating equalization funding. A minimum method equalization grant of an amount per district as determined by the State Board shall be established for any community college district which qualifies for an equalization grant based upon preceding criteria, but becomes ineligible equalization funding, or would have received a grant of less minimum equalization grant, due to threshold prorations applied to reduce equalization funding. As of July 1, 2012 2004, a community college district must maintain a minimum required combined in-district tuition and universal fee rate per semester credit hour equal to 70% 85% of the State-average combined rate, as determined by the State Board, or the total revenue received by the community college district from combined in-district tuition and universal fees must be at least 30% of the total revenue received by the community college district, as determined by the State Board, for equalization funding. As of July 1, 2004, a community college district must maintain a minimum required operating tax rate equal to at least 95% of its maximum authorized tax rate to qualify for equalization funding. This 95% minimum tax rate requirement shall be based upon the maximum operating tax rate as limited by the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law.

The State Board shall distribute such other grants as may be authorized or appropriated by the General Assembly.

Each community college district entitled to State grants under this Section must submit a report of its enrollment to

the State Board not later than 30 days following the end of each semester, quarter, or term in a format prescribed by the State Board. These semester credit hours, or equivalent, shall be certified by each district on forms provided by the State Board. Each district's certified semester credit hours, or equivalent, are subject to audit pursuant to Section 3-22.1.

The State Board shall certify, prepare, and submit monthly vouchers to the State Comptroller setting forth an amount equal to one-twelfth of the grants approved by the State Board for base operating grants and equalization grants. The State Board shall prepare and submit to the State Comptroller vouchers for payments of other grants as appropriated by the General Assembly. If the amount appropriated for grants is different from the amount provided for such grants under this Act, the grants shall be proportionately reduced or increased accordingly.

For the purposes of this Section, "resident student" means a student in a community college district who maintains residency in that district or meets other residency definitions established by the State Board, and who was enrolled either in one of the approved instructional program categories in that district, or in another community college district to which the resident's district is paying tuition under Section 6-2 or with which the resident's district has entered into a cooperative agreement in lieu of such tuition.

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The Illinois Community College Board Contracts and Grants Fund is hereby created in the State Treasury. Items of income to this fund shall include any grants, awards, endowments, or like proceeds, and where appropriate, other funds made available through contracts with governmental, public, and private agencies or persons. The General Assembly shall from time to time make appropriations payable from such fund for the support, improvement, and expenses of the State Board and Illinois community college districts.

11 (Source: P.A. 96-911, eff. 7-1-10.)

12 (110 ILCS 805/3-27.1) (from Ch. 122, par. 103-27.1)

Sec. 3-27.1. Contracts. To award all contracts for purchase of supplies, materials or work involving an expenditure in excess of \$25,000 or a lower amount as required by board policy to the lowest responsible bidder considering conformity with of specifications, terms delivery, quality, and serviceability; after due advertisement, except the following: (a) contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part; (b) contracts for the finance committee reports printing of and departmental reports; (c) contracts for the printing or engraving of bonds, tax warrants and other evidences of indebtedness; (d) contracts for materials and work which have been awarded to the lowest

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responsible bidder after due advertisement, but unforeseen revisions, not the fault of the contractor for materials and work, must be revised causing expenditures not in excess of 10% of the contract price; (e) contracts for the maintenance or servicing of, or provision of repair parts for, equipment which are made with the manufacturer or authorized service agent of that equipment where the provision of parts, maintenance, or servicing can best be performed by manufacturer or authorized service agent; (f) purchases and contracts for the use, purchase, delivery, movement, installation of data processing equipment, software, services and telecommunications and inter-connect equipment, software, and services; (g) contracts for duplicating machines and supplies; (h) contracts for the purchase of natural gas when the cost is less than that offered by a public utility; (i) purchases of equipment previously owned by some entity other than the district itself; (j) contracts for repair, maintenance, remodeling, renovation, or construction, or a single project involving an expenditure not to exceed \$50,000 and not involving a change or increase in the size, type, or extent of an existing facility; (k) contracts for goods or services procured from another governmental agency; contracts for goods or services which are economically procurable from only one source, such as for the purchase of magazines, books, periodicals, pamphlets and reports, and for utility services such as water, light, heat, telephone or

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All competitive bids for contracts involving expenditure in excess of \$25,000 or a lower amount as required by board policy must be sealed by the bidder and must be opened by a member or employee of the board at a public bid opening at which the contents of the bids must be announced. Each bidder must receive at least 3 days' notice of the time and place of bid opening. For purposes of this Section advertisement includes, but is not limited to, at least one public notice at least 10 days before the bid date in a newspaper published in the district, or if no newspaper is published in the district, in a newspaper of circulation in the area of the district. Electronic bid shall be considered a sealed document submissions competitive bid requests if they are received at the designated office by the time and date set for receipt for bids. However, bids for construction purposes are prohibited from being submitted electronically. Electronic bid submissions must be authorized by specific language in the bid documents in order to be considered and must be opened in accordance with electronic security measures in effect at the community college at the time of opening. Unless the electronic submission procedures provide for a secure receipt, the vendor assumes the risk of premature disclosure due to submission in an unsealed

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The provisions of this Section do not apply to guaranteed energy savings contracts entered into under Article V-A. The provisions of this Section do not prevent a community college from complying with the terms and conditions of a grant, gift, or bequest that calls for the procurement of a particular good or service or the use of a particular contractor, provided that the grant, gift, or bequest provides the majority funding for the contract.

- 10 (Source: P.A. 95-990, eff. 10-3-08; 96-380, eff. 8-13-09.)
- (110 ILCS 805/6-4) (from Ch. 122, par. 106-4) 11
- 12 Sec. 6-4. Variable rates and fees. Any community college 13 district, by resolution of the board, may establish variable 14 tuition rates and fees for students attending its college in an 15 amount not to exceed, until the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly and beginning again 16 3 years after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 17 97th General Assembly, 1/3 of the per capita cost as defined in 18 19 Section 6-2, provided that voluntary contributions, as defined 20 in Section 65 of the Higher Education Student Assistance Act, 21 shall not be included in any calculation of community college 22 tuition and fee rates for the purpose of this Section.
- (Source: P.A. 90-14, eff. 7-1-97.) 23
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 24

1 becoming law.".